

charge, and to violate the express instructions under which they are acting.

The desire of the city of Baltimore is, to be heard upon the whole case, as the evidence when taken may exhibit it, and her authorities never can consent, upon a bill, which in their judgement, deeply implicates the character, and encroaches upon the clearest constitutional rights of the Cor-

poration to test her liability upon the testimony purely ex-
parte,

The undersigned have the honor to be,

With the profoundest respect, &c. &c.

JOHN NELSON.

ALBERT CONSTABLE.

Mr. Richardson then submitted the following order,

Ordered, that inasmuch as it is the desire of this house, to have a full, fair and thorough examination of the important points connected with the riots in the city of Baltimore, and as the Counsel for said city have declared, that they are unprepared in the absence of the testimony on the part of the City, to do justice to the important interests committed to their charge—it is hereby ordered, that the Counsel for said city may appear at the bar of this house on behalf of the city, on Thursday next, after such additional testimony shall have been taken.

Which was twice read adopted.

Mr. Merrick, seconded by two other members who voted in the majority, moved to reconsider the vote of the house, upon the adoption of said order,

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Merrick then submitted the following order,

Ordered, that in as much as the house have determined to hear the Counsel for the city of Baltimore, in the matter of the late riots of that city, on Thursday next—that the argument fixed for this day on the part of the memorialists, be also postponed to that day.

Which was twice read and adopted.

The members of the Senate having withdrawn from the house.

On motion of Mr. Merrick,

The house proceeded to the consideration of the orders of the day. The first order of the day, being the bill, reported by Mr. Merrick, chairman of the committee on ways and means, entitled, an act to incorporate the Western bank of Baltimore.